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Four Corners Air Quality Group to Hold Regular Public Meeting in Farmington *Updates on Progress to Maintain and Improve Air Quality in the Region*

Farmington, NM – The Four Corners Air Quality Group will meet May 30 at San Juan College in Farmington to provide updates about progress in addressing air quality issues in the region. The meeting is open to the public and will be held at the Henderson Fine Arts Center (Room 9008), 4601 College Blvd., 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The meeting will provide opportunities for attendees to ask questions to air quality representatives from New Mexico and Colorado, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and the Bureau of Land Management.

The group, originally convened in 2005 as the Four Corners Air Quality Task Force, initially set out to discuss the impacts that oil and gas production, existing and planned coal-fired power plants, growth and other factors are having on air quality in the region. The comprehensive report included a broad list of options for improving air quality in the region. The report was intended to serve as, among other things, a resource for the regulatory agencies charged with developing plans for managing air quality impacts. The final report and many related documents remain available for viewing at <http://www.nmenv.state.nm.us/aqb/4C/>.

New Mexico residents wanting to learn more about the group should contact Mark Jones at 505-566-9746 or mark.jones@state.nm.us. Colorado residents should contact Christopher Dann at 303-692-3281 or christopher.dann@state.co.us. Information also may be obtained by visiting the Web site.

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